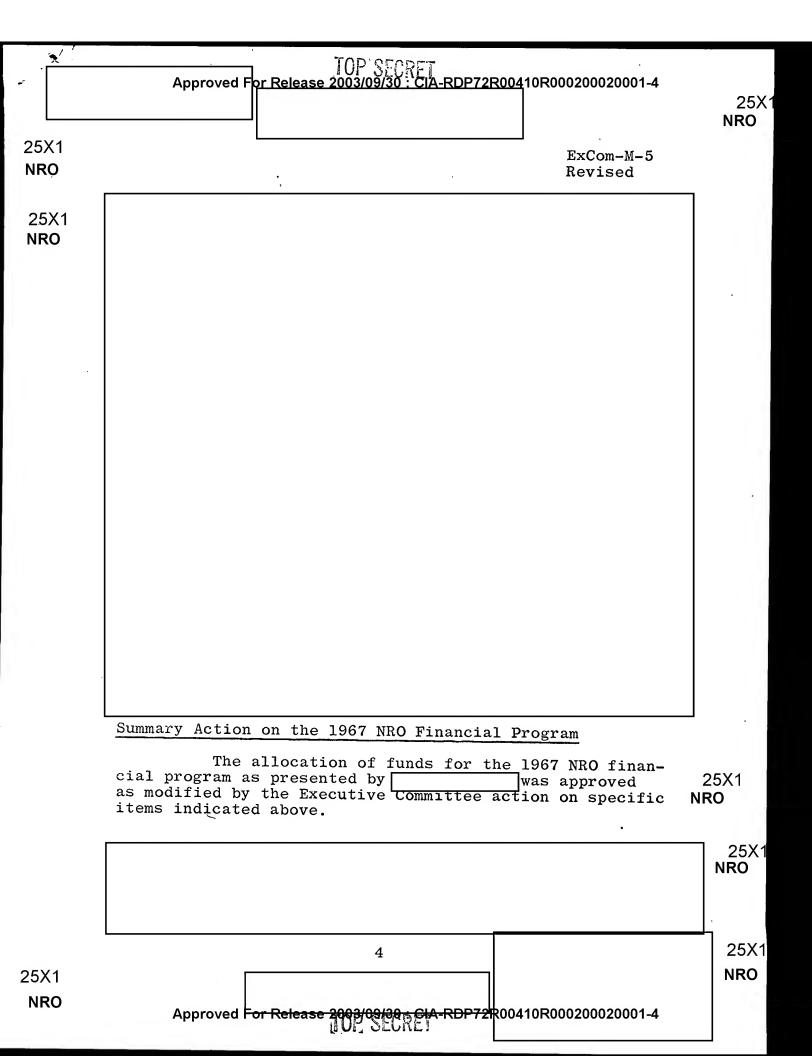
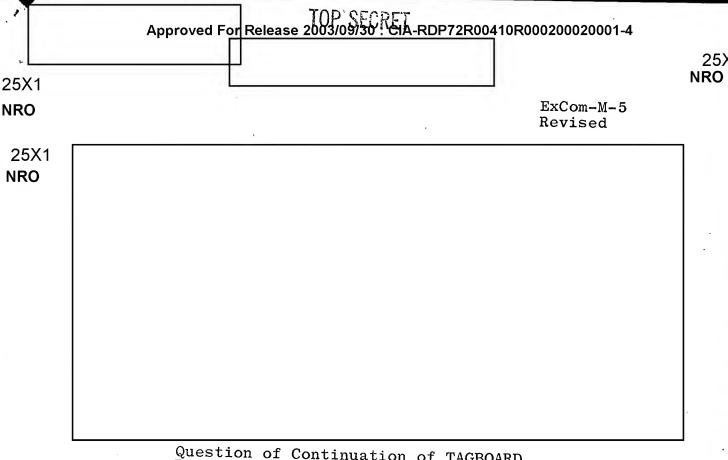
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	MEMORANDUM FOR THE NRP EXECUTIVE	COMMITTEE
	SUBJECT: Revision of ExCom-M-5	
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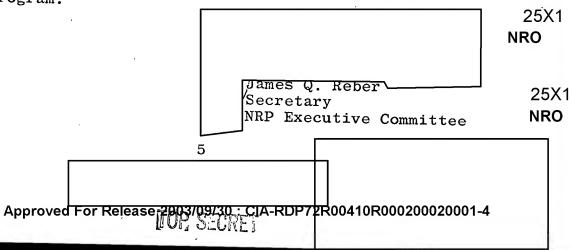


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Question of Continuation of TAGBOARD

The DCI raised the question of whether in view of the recent TAGBOARD accident it was desirable to continue the program.

The DNRO reviewed the situation surrounding the accident which had been preceded by three successful launches and reported that Kelly Johnson would need at least another month to study the problem including the possible use of a rocket boosted TAGBOARD from a B-52 instead of the present Mach 3 launch aircraft. Dr. Flax said he was looking at the total program in terms of cost, recognizing that there was a need for at least two more carrier aircraft if the TAGBOARD were to be used operationally. He proposed, and the ExCom concurred, that he report his findings to the ExCom as soon as that is possible. In the light of this report, the ExCom will examine the question of the future course of action on this program.



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Minutes of Meeting Held 17 August 1966 Office of Deputy Secretary of Defense Room 3E 928, The Pentagon 2:45 - 4:30 p.m.

Members Present

LT. Cyrus R. Vance

Deputy Secretary of Defense

Director of Central Intelligence

Special Assistant to the President

for Science and Technology

Others Present

Dr. Alexander H. Flax Director, National Reconnaissance Office, Ex Officio
Mr. James Q. Reber Secretary, NRP Executive Committee, Ex Officio

Dr. John S. Foster, Jr. DDR&E
Mr. Huntington D. Sheldon
Mr. John A. Bross
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Dr. Donald Steininger
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Review of 1967 NRO Financial Program (Ref: 15 August 1966)

On request of the Director, National Reconnaissance Office, the NRO Comptroller, reviewed the proposed allocation of funds for 1967 with explanation

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	The Executive Committee addressed the special topics on which the DNRO had provided a brief dated 15 August), these being topics which had been singled out by the DNRO as requiring the Committee's especial attention. They are treated in turn below with the Committee's action indicated.	NŔ
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	Action: A buy of eight was authorized with the inderstanding that in approximately six months a decision and fund authorization will be required by the ExCom on whether to go for an additional eight or other number of aircraft.	. ,
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25X1	Action: The ExCom agreed to defer the expenditure of FY 1967 funds for additional development of the pending a decision on the continuation of the program beyond the end of FY 1967. The Director of Central Intelligence will consult the United States Intelligence Board and provide its recommendation to the ExCom on whether the program should be continued.	
	ISINGLASS	
	Action: The DNRO will summarize for the ExCom his findings consequent upon his visit early in September to McDonnell Aircraft Corporation. The summary is to address not only the DNRO's present concerns relevant to the ISINGLASS proposal itself and the direction which we should go in the field of this technology but also the relationship between general technology which is white and this particular proposal. The DNRO will recommend to the ExCom for approval a course of action on this program.	25X´ NRO
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	Summary Action on the 1967 NRO Financial Program The allocation of funds for the 1967 NRO financial program as presented by was approved as modified by the Executive Committee action on specific items indicated above.	25X1 - NRO 25 - NR
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